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The following correspondence has passed between Government and the Chamber of Commerce:

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Hongkong, 2nd June, 1908.

Sir.—With reference to my letter No. 9454/1907 of the 1st ultimo, I am directed to transmit for the consideration of your Committee the enclosed copy of a minute by His Excellency the Governor dated the 31st ultimo, and to inquire whether, in the opinion of your Committee, there is a possibility of developing the Singapore Market for lard as well as that of the Philippines, and whether it would be possible to establish in Hongkong a tanning industry for hogskins.—I am, Sir,

F. H. MAY,  
Colonial Secretary.

The Secretary to the Chamber of Commerce.

Hon. Colonial Secretary.  
I have recently noticed in a report by the Commercial Agent for New South Wales that the Straits Settlements imported for a period of nine months (the period under review) 16,893 pigs of lard valued at £700,183 of which 17,805 pigs were from Hongkong (value £39,165) and about the same quantity from China. The value therefore for a complete year would be about £134,577 of which Hongkong took £23,740. There would seem to be a possibility of developing the Singapore market as well as the Philippines.

In this connection also it might be possible to establish a tanning industry for hogskins, and the following notes taken from the "Indian Trade Journal" of April, 23rd, 1908, may be of interest to the Chamber.

F. LUGARD.

## TANNING HOGSKINS.

American Method.—Hog skins make very nice leather when they are properly tanned. They are usually very greasy and have numerous holes in them. It is very important that the tanner handles the skins carefully so as not to increase the number of holes, and the skins must be degreased right at the start or they will cause trouble all the way through. The skins should be worked before they are soaked and as much of the grease as possible must be scraped out. After the skins have been scraped out dry they should be washed in warm salt soda water and then worked and scraped to get the dissolved grease out. The soda solution is made by dissolving 5 lb. of soda in a barrel of water of about 95 degrees. The skins are put into this water and left there about one minute, they are then put on the beam and scraped and worked and the dissolved grease will flow out. After this has been done at least twice the skins should be washed in soda solution to free them from adhering grease, and then soaked for 12 to 24 hours in cold water. The tanning is accomplished most readily in a solution of sulphide of sodium of a pale yellow color. Flething should be done before the skins are unhaird.

Depilatories.—A suitable depilatory is made by dissolving 1 lb. of the depilatory in each 7 gallons of water in the vat; the skins are then put into the solution and stirred about for 36 hours, more or less, until the hair is dissolved and skins are ready for the lime. Wash the hair off and then lime the skins in weak white lime for one day, and then transfer them to stronger lime or make the first lime stronger. From two to four days are usually required by the liming process according to the thickness of the skins and the strength of the lime. The lime dissolves the remaining grease and the liming and washing remove it. A bran bath is good for dermating the skins. Fifty pounds of bran soaked in warm water until it is sour and then stirred into 700 gallons of water makes a good dermator for the skins. Ten pounds of sulphuric acid should be added to the drench and the skins stirred about in the liquor for several hours until they are soft and clean. The next work is fine hairing and the skins should be worked out over a beam and all the lime, dirt, and oil should be removed on the flesh side and the skins are then ready to be gounded upon the grain. This work must be carefully done so as not to damage the grain. All the dirt and fine hairs should be removed from the grain, the skins then rinsed in warm water and they are then ready to be tanned. On account of their porous nature the skins absorb the tan very rapidly. Hemlock extract is the cheapest tanning material that can be used; quebracho extract tans the skins with a fine, natural grain and a combination of the two also makes good leather.

The Tanning Process.—A paddle vat is the best to do the tanning in as a drum is apt to tear the skins. When hemlock is used the skins are kept in the liquor until they are struck through, the liquor being strengthened twice a day. About eight days are required to do the tanning. After they are tanned the skins should be bleached and dried in sun, then washed, struck out, oiled, lightly and dried. Dampen the dry skins and shave those that need it. Have the skins moist and soft and give them fat liquor made of oil, soap and degrease; give considerably less fat liquor than oil skins and then dry the skins again. If the skins are to be coloured moisten them with warm water and clear the grain with borax and sulphuric acid or any other good bleaching process, and then mill in sun again; rinse the leather and then mill in sun again; all the grain with oil and dry the skins again. Staking and finishing complete the work, and the skins are ready for use.

Tanning with Quercus.—To tan with quercus, make up the first tanning bath by adding dissolved quercus extract to water in the paddle vat to make a 4 deg. liquor. To each 100 gallons of liquor add 14 lbs. of slum and 4 lbs. of salt, and plunge the liquor well. Process the skins in this liquor for 36 hours, or until they have assumed a light oak colour; then

place them in the second bath. This is simply a clear quercus liquor of 6 degs. Paddle the skins in this liquor 36 hours, then strengthen the liquor to 10 degs. and in about two days the skins will be completely tanned. Drain the skins in sun, oil the grain with neat foot oil and hang the skins up to dry or tack them on frames. The dry skins can then be moistened, coloured and finished. They can also be bleached and finished without being coloured. Hemlock combined with quercus makes a good tannage. For insouling the skins are oiled with a combination of fish and mineral oil, and are finished on the rolling machine which makes them smooth and firm. It is of benefit to the leather to mill the skins in a lactic acid solution before tanning them; it cleans the grain.

Chamber of Commerce,  
Hongkong, 6th August.

Sir.—I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 2nd June, 1908, inquiring whether or not there is a possibility of developing the Singapore market for lard, and also of establishing a tanning industry for hog skins in Hongkong.

From enquiries made by me from firms who were likely to be interested in the proposal, I find that the making of lard is solely carried on by Chinese, both here and at Canton; as is also the exportation of this product to countries which have large Chinese populations.

The best market for the Chinese exporters is apparently Singapore, and judging from the figures supplied by the Commercial Agent for New South Wales of the volume of trade in lard in the Straits Settlements there appears to be ample opportunity for the development of the export of locally made lard into that Colony.

It appears to me, however, that such development must lie in the hands of the Chinese exporters who, if they reduce their prices to compare favourably with those quoted for the Australian product, would naturally command a larger market, in fact it would seem to be a matter of price.

As regards the establishment of a tanning industry for pig skins, there seems very little probability of such meeting with success, as in order to be financially successful, it appears necessary that the scheme should be established on a larger scale than seems to be possible at the moment in the present depressed condition of the Colony's trade.

There are, moreover, several difficulties to contend with such as, for instance, the difficulty of obtaining conveniently a sufficient number of pig skins for the reason that the skin is seldom sold apart from the meat, and I am led to understand that the skin is used by the Chinese as an article of food.

There are some Chinese, I believe, engaged in tanning pig skins, but it is done in a primitive way, and I have not been able to ascertain that tanned pig skins are used in South China to any large extent.

I have &c.,  
E. A. M. WILLIAMS,  
Secretary.

Hon. Mr. F. H. May, C.M.G.,  
Colonial Secretary.

## SEVEN WEEKS ON A DESERT ISLAND.

Particulars reached Queenstown last month from Lyttelton, N.Z., of the landing of Captain Noel and twenty-one of the crew of the last French barque "President F. F. Fanny," a vessel of 2,651 tons, who were rescued by the British warship "Porpoise" from Antipodes Island, south of New Zealand, where they had lived for seven weeks, enduring great privations after the loss of their vessel.

Relating the story of their adventures Captain Noel stated that they were bound from Pohni, New Caledonia, to Havre, and during terrible weather the ship was driven on the rocks south of Antipodes Island, which rises from 800 to 1,000 feet out of the sea. The crew of twenty-two had to scramble into a boat to save their lives, and effected a landing with no clothes save those they had on.

Happily for the shipwrecked mariners the New Zealand Government keep a quantity of provisions on the island to be used in case of emergency, and the castaways were able to live on them. The supply, however, was becoming exhausted as week succeeded week, and no prospect of rescue seemed likely. The ration had to be reduced to such an extent that the men became ravenous for food, and gave up all hope of rescue.

Out of the wreckage washed ashore nails were obtained, and these were made into fishhooks to catch fish. Blades of penknives were fashioned into needles, hair-combs were made from bush thorns, and altogether the men led a regular Crusoe life.

On several occasions messages written in pencil were fastened to the neck of an albatross, and the birds were sent off in the hope that they might be captured, and thus secure assistance for the castaways.

One of these messages was being written in which the men said all hope was abandoned when the "Porpoise" was sighted and took off the crew who were then almost mad with hunger.

## CHINESE BONDS.

A London financial paper says.—That the keen investor is at last beginning to recognise the merits and attractiveness of Chinese Bonds has been clearly demonstrated during the past week by the steady investment demand for the securities of the "Celestial Empire." Generally speaking, the foreign market has not another bargain which, having regard to security, yield, and possibilities of appreciation, make such a favourable purchase as Chinese Bonds. In the matter of security, the fact should not be lost sight of that every convert of the Chinese, which, being every other member with suspicion, will nevertheless work to the advantage of the Chinese Government. The credit is concerned, and this factor upon the sleeping giant market has a regular obligation promptly and regularly. Chinese Bonds may, therefore, be regarded as having the security of all the Powers behind them. This is a point which has not received the attention it deserves. Regarded from the purely investment point of view, and also from the speculative investment standpoint, Chinese Bonds clearly justify

## HOME AND CHINA AFFAIRS.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

London, July 17th.

## THE WEATHER.

The back of our brilliant Summer seems to have been almost innocent rain, and weather experts declare they have no recollection of similar atmospheric disturbances in summer before. It is most dismal for holiday makers and the exhibition organisers are also looking very glum.

As a matter of fact the opening of the Olympic games at the Stadium of the Franco-British Exhibition by the King was almost a complete frost owing to the dismal weather. The athletes turned up all right and paraded, but the public seats were as sparsely tenanted as possible under such attractions and there were great stretches of seats entirely unoccupied. Since then there have been fine spells and the games have been broken, much interest. Several records have been broken, the picked men of the world being among the contestants. Up to date the British athletes easily lead, with America, France, Germany, Sweden, Belgium and Holland following in the order named.

At Bielefeld also this week there was some fine shooting, the Norwegian and American marksmen showing up as well as the British. In several cases competitors scored the highest possible in competitions.

## RUSSIA AND CHINA.

Russia, I hear from St. Petersburg, is really alarmed at the evidences provided by her agents in China as to the prospects of another anti-dynastic rising that will put into the shade the Boxer outbreak, inasmuch as the most intelligent class of the population will take part in it. Of course, there is in these Russian reports a heavy vein of suggestion that the Japanese are the evil geniuses at work on the conditions in China. It is pointed out that the extra territorial headquarters of the Chinese Anarchist and Socialist movements are in Tokyo and in Japan there are twenty thousand students from China imbuing sentiments subversive of Manchu rule all the time. They are returning, I am giving you merely the Russian view, periodically to enlarge the area of Anarchist and Constitutional opinion in all the provinces of China. Some go as the direct delegates of the Tokyo organisations to stir up trouble. In this way Russia credits the Japanese trained emissaries with being at the centre of the Yunnan troubles. Presently, it is predicted, there will be similar risings everywhere, and Japan will be the willing abettor of the leaders because later on she will be able to find an excuse for stepping in on the north to keep order. For the purpose of being prepared for eventualities Russia believes Japan is secretly accumulating stores, men and fortification material at the port of Arthur, and is holding far more troops in Formosa than are needed for the operations against the natives there. Moreover it is declared that gun running at present is easy and the Japanese wink at the traffic.

According to the Russian agents' advice, the anti-dynastic parties have drawn up thousands of proclamations to the effect that the safety of foreigners will be assured so long as foreign Powers do not interfere between the revolutionaries and the Chinese Government in the settlement of a purely Chinese quarrel. Even now, it is alleged, arms are pouring into Manchuria from Japanese sources for the purpose of forcing the pace.

In view of all these things Russians are concerned for their future in the East, with their thousands of miles of frontier bordering China, and the Amur Railway, for which the Czar will shortly sanction the Amur Railway Bill which authorises the expenditure of 300 to 500 million roubles. This line will mark a strategic point which will be of the highest importance, for any attacks made on Russian interests beyond it will be made for hostilities with the offender. It is the Russian opinion that Japan intends to craftily turn the stream of Chinese hostility to Russian possessions, which are ill protected, and thus to make opportunities for herself to reap benefits as policeman.

The Russians are sometimes spoken of as the most optimistic nation in the world, and at any rate the mistakes of the Russo-Japanese war have not yet been made the useful starting points of reforms in many departments. The same inefficiency is everywhere visible and the Minister of Finance aids the self-complacency by declaring that the finances of the State can stand almost any drain.

## RUSSIAN NAVAL PROJECTS.

Take for instance the Navy. The Duma has refused twice to pass the naval estimates providing for 11,250,000 roubles for this year's battleship construction. What is the result? The sum is not included in the Budget, so according to Russian custom the Ministry of Marine falls back on the sum sanctioned by the Czar in the last Budget—that made a mark of appropriation. That was in 1906 when the Naval estimates were for forty millions. Thus the navy in Russia will this year cost nearly thirty million roubles more than was asked for in the first instance. Evidently the Minister of Marine, M. Dikoi, anticipated the result, for he had already ordered shipbuilding to proceed and several ships are already on the stocks. A great dock is also under construction at Cronstadt.

At the first blush this looks like folly on the part of the Duma. But there is the midwife, after all. The Duma has no objection to naval expenditure. What it kicks at is the continued domination of the incompetent and corrupt Grand-Dukes administering the Navy Department. They consider it necessary to make a protest against the Grand-Dukes and rather than throw up their opposition to the present régime they voted down the supplies and let the additional sum become applicable so that the

Grand-Dukes might become more than over unpopular owing to the increased taxation. Even now public opinion has so far made itself felt as to secure a promise from the authorities of a plan of reforms of the Navy Department. The Duma asserts that the stranding of the battleship "Peter the Great" in the Baltic, and the fire at the Great Obukoff Steel works, under the Navy Department prove that the same negligence is being shown as that which led to the rout of the battle of Tausima. The reforms are carried, as promised, in the Autumn. The Duma will cease its opposition to the Navy Department, and so long as a more efficient administration is installed, will agree to the annual provision of very heavy appropriations for naval purposes during the next ten years. To secure the defence of the Empire is held to be the first duty of Russia and all other things—education, railways, roads and canals—will be of secondary interest to the Russian Treasury till the demands of the Navy are met.

## THE MEDICAL DIRECTOR AND THE CHINESE ARMY.

Dr. Gnoh Lean Tuck, of Peking, the well known Chinese doctor of British education who is taking up his post at Tientsin as assistant medical director of the Chinese Army in town and has of late been the guest of Mr. Laidlaw, M.P. in the House of Commons and other public places. He professes himself a believer in the prohibition of opium in the Chinese Army under the present stern penalties and rejoices at the progress of the anti-opium movement. These sentiments, however, were uttered in the presence of extreme anti-opium advocates, so the atmosphere may have had something to do with the enthusiasm of the Doctor.

## ELECTRICITY AND AGRICULTURE.

Remarkable results have this summer been produced by Sir Oliver Lodge and other scientists in co-operation with leading horticulturists and agriculturists in the direction of applying electricity to the cultivation of crops. By the continuous high tension discharge of electricity for several hours each day over fields of growing crops, by means of wires stretched over the field on poles, wheat has been made to show an increased yield up to forty per cent, and strawberries, raspberries and tomatoes have also shown an improvement of twenty-five to thirty-five per cent, besides ripening more quickly. The publication of these results has attracted wide attention and the question is being asked whether science is not stepping in to solve the problem of supplying sufficient food for the constantly growing population of these islands. I do not mean to say Great Britain is to supply its own food, but that the night-mare of the wheat crisis of the world, which is so much likely to be laid by these discoveries. Moreover, I may add to these notes that the adoption of the French system of intensive vegetable culture under glass is being largely adopted here with excellent results also in volume, speed of cultivation, and quality.

## THE PRESIDENT-SCOTT INCIDENT.

The quarrel between Lord Charles Bessford and Sir Percy Scott still continues to trouble the public mind, and an indecent amount of speculation, even mixed with personal attack has been aired in Parliament and in the Press. It will probably end in Lord Charles again going into politics—he has been invited to stand for Portsmouth in the Conservative interest—and there is a report from Plymouth, from a source that is often well informed on naval matters, that Sir Percy Scott will after the present manoeuvres be appointed to the command of the East India station. The latest criticism of Lord Charles Bessford is that he is a director of a steel works in Sheffield and the suggestion is made that the company is one of those eligible to undertake contracts for the Admiralty. Of course there is nothing corrupt in that line about Lord Charles. He is one of the openest men in the world—but the peg is good enough for his critics to hang suspicious on.

## AN EXPECTED RECONCILIATION.

Correspondent in Berlin states that negotiations are proceeding that may end shortly in the reconciliation of the differences between the Kaiser and the Duke of Cumberland. If the negotiations come to a successful conclusion a breach will be healed that has existed since the Six Weeks War of 1894, when the Kingdom of Hanover was absorbed by Prussia, following the unfortunate backing of the losers by Hanover. Queen Marie of Hanover lived till comparatively recently, when she died at an extreme old age. Till then and there was no chance of a reconciliation by the family of the Hanoverian kingdom and she set her fate resolutely against any reconciliation with the Kaiser. Two years ago the Kaiser retaliated by securing the exclusion of the Duke of Cumberland and his family from the succession in Brunswick.

During the Kaiser's cruise in the Baltic, however, there has been a meeting of the Duke and the Kaiser and the first steps have been taken towards a recognition by the Hanoverian line that their rule is over. If the matter is successfully accomplished it will have some effect on Court relations in our own country for the Duke will pay a visit to the King, after absence from England since 1873. In June of that year he attended the funeral of his father, George V. of Hanover, at Windsor, but Queen Victoria offended him on two heads and he swore he would not attend again at her Court. One of the things that gave him offence was the inscription the Queen had placed in the dead monarch's tomb. There was a line reading "Last King of Hanover," thus highlighting the absorption of the realm in Prussia. The other annoyance was the suggestion by the Queen's own people that the Duke's father, Princess Frederic, with the Baron Pawel von Rammingen, to which union the Duke was bitterly opposed.

AN IRISH KILT INCIDENT.  
There has been a squabble between Mr. Hazleton, an Irish member, and Admiral Sir

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Henry Frederick Stephenson, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, who keeps watch and ward over the etiquette concerning the House of Lords. Last week Mr. Hazleton took round the Lords an Irish friend, clad in the kilt and all the rest of the old Celtic garb, very similar to that of Scotland. The Admiral promptly wrote an extraordinary note pointing out that in his opinion the dress was not decent and proper for the House of Lords. Since then the irreverent Mr. Hazleton has had lots of fun. He has written in a chaffing spirit asking what the objection is to kiltis anyway, and if there is an objection why mention it to the King who wears them? The Admiral insisted on joining in "the epidemic of rudeness among Admirals," and at the end is warned that if he continues Mr. Hazleton will "take serious notice" of him. The whole thing has given infinite amusement, for the dress question seldom troubles the House, what with Indians and Orientals and all sorts of visitors in all sorts of garb. On the whole the Admiral has got the worst of it. He is one of the old stages but the stage on which he has operated has all the same been of distinction. He served in the Crimea, in the China Expedition of 1857, in the Indian Mutiny, in the Arctic expedition of 1875 and in the Egyptian campaign of 1882. Subsequently he had several Court appointments and from 1893 to 1896 was Commander in Chief of the Pacific station. Then he commanded the Channel Fleet, retiring from the active list in 1904.

## LONDON'S CHARITY.

London's generosity is shown by the return of figures proving that £10,000,000 is spent every year on charity. It is declared that much of this is wasted, especially in the funds run by numerous organisations to send poor children to the country for a holiday. Investigation has proved that in this case the survival of the fittest operated also, for the most aggressive youngsters from the slums have been able to secure under various fraudulent schemes holidays from different societies, while poorer and weaker children have been left in their misery for lack of energy to press their claims. A Subscribers' Union has now been formed and out of it a central fund will be established to prevent waste and fraud and make the money go as far as possible.

## ENGLAND, RUSSIA AND PERSIA.

I understand that an agreement is shortly to be concluded between Russia and Great Britain that will carry into greater effect the Anglo-Russian agreement in relation to Persia. Russian Consuls are to be withdrawn from the southern half and British Consuls from the northern half, so that each nation may fully develop its predominant interest in their respective spheres.

## EXPECTED REDUCTIONS IN THE ARMY.

The military clubs are still perurbed by rumours of impending reductions in the regular Army. The Chancellor of the Exchequer and Mr. Churchill are supposed to be the chief organs of economy and they hope to make so great a savings as provide much money next year for Old Age Pensions and such social palliatives. Rumour places the reduction in numbers next year at 8,000 but I fancy that is overshooting the mark. It is too drastic an experiment to meet with approval.

## DEV. LOYMENTS IN AFRICA.

Africa is being made the scene of great development, news of which is presented but scrupulously to the public. France has already established a chain of posts across the Sahara desert connecting her military forces in Central Africa down to Lake Tobad with the authorities in Algeria. Telegraph lines are to be run through so that all sections of French territory may be in communication and for the present a camel route is being developed with the aid of friendly tribes, and officers returning from Senegal are encouraged to make the trans-desert journey so as to familiarise themselves with the route.

Great Britain on her part is linking up the Sudan and Uganda lines of telegraphs. There is less than four hundred miles of vacant space between Ujiji on Lake Tanganyika and Entebbe in East Africa, so that it will not be many years before there is complete telegraph intelligence between the Cape and Cairo.

## THE DISTURBANCE IN ASIA.

While I am on this subject of linking up territories I am reminded of the extreme ignorance of the news that has reached Europe as to the native disturbances in Annam, Yunnan and Sumatra. Brief and inconclusive items have appeared by telegraph, but when my Far Eastern mail comes in I find accounts of sharp fighting, heavy losses and a wealth of information that, if it emanated from any other part of the world, would appear sensational and worthy of extensive display in the newspaper headings. One of these days the London newspapers will awake to the fact that the native races in the Far East are in motion under the impetus of forces that will sooner or later attract the attention of the whole world.

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Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. 114

## NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1907

£13,114,624.

I. Authorised Capital.....£3,000,000

Subscribed Capital.....2,750,000

Reserve Capital.....£37,500,000

II. Fire Funds.....£3,085,374 15 7

The Undersigned, AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

**SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.**

Agents.  
Hongkong, 21st July, 1907. 1019

## THE GLOBUS INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

**THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.**

**CARLOWITZ & CO.**

Agents.  
Hongkong, 18th August, 1908. 28

## PUBLIC COMPANIES

**HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the CHRY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 22nd day of August, 1908, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1908.

By Order of the Court of Directors,  
**J. R. M. SMITH,**  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1908. 1148

**HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Register of Shares of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 10th instant to SATURDAY, the 22nd instant, (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer for Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,  
**J. R. M. SMITH,**  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1908. 1149

**HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.**

**THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING** of Shareholders will be held in the Office of the Company, Queen's Buildings, Connaught Road, on MONDAY, 24th August, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 30th June, 1908.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 24th August, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
**THOS. L. ROSE,**  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 29th July, 1908. 1152

**HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**NOTICE.**

IN accordance with the Provisions of No. 104 of the Articles of Association of the General Managers have this Day declared an INTERIM DIVIDEND for the half year ended 30th June, 1908, of FOUR DOLLARS per Share.

DIVIDEND WARRANTS may be obtained on Application at the Office of the Company on and after MONDAY, 24th instant.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 19th instant to 22nd instant, both days inclusive.

**JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,**  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 17th August, 1908. 1157

**HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Provisional Certificate No. 43/1002 dated Hongkong, 28th November, 1907, for Six Shares of this Bank numbered 83,801 to 83,806 inclusive registered in the name of Miss ELLA DENON FIRSI, has been LOST or STOLEN, and should this Certificate not be produced to the Bank before the 30th August, 1908, a New Certificate for the Shares will be issued, and the aforesaid Provisional Certificate No. 43/1002 will be thereafter treated by this Corporation as Null and Void.

By Order of the Court of Directors,  
**J. R. M. SMITH,**  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 30th July, 1908. 1155

**HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Certificate No. N/8 1,000 dated Shanghai 16th July, 1908 for Two Shares of this Bank numbered 61,594 to 61,595 inclusive, registered at the Shanghai Branch in the name of **CECIL HANBURY**, has been LOST or STOLEN, and should this Certificate not be produced to the Bank before the 30th August, 1908, a New Certificate for the Shares will be issued, and the aforesaid Certificate No. N/8 1,000 will be thereafter treated by this Corporation as Null and Void.

By Order of the Court of Directors,  
**J. R. M. SMITH,**  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 30th July, 1908. 1156

**TO LET.**

**A HOUSE IN KNOTSFORD TERRACE KOWLOON.**

Apply to—

**THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.**

Hongkong, 1st August, 1908. 185

**TO LET.**

**OFFICES IN ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.**

Apply—

**SECRETARY,**  
**A. S. WATSON & Co., Limited.**

Hongkong, 23rd April, 1907. (91)

**TO LET.**

**ONE OFFICE ROOM, Third Floor, New Praya 2, opposite Murray Pier.**

Apply to—

**SCHULT & CO.**

Hongkong, 28th July, 1908. 1013

**TO LET.**

**DEBRIINGTON, Peak Road, below L.E.C. Tennis Courts.**

From 1st September a.c. The Property is also FOR SALE.

**C. SCHROEDER.**

Care of GARELS, BOERNER & Co., King's Buildings, 3rd Floor.

Hongkong, 8th August, 1908. 1154

**TO LET.**

**NO. 31, SEYMOUR ROAD.**

Apply to—

**SAM WANG CO., LTD.**

31, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, 18th August, 1908. 190

## TO LET

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**GODOWN, No. 5A, DUDDELL STREET.**

Apply to—

**THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.**

Hongkong, 1st August, 1908. 823

## TO LET.

**OFFICES in HOTEL MANSIONS.** Cheap rental for monthly tenancy.

Apply to—

**HENRY HUMPHREYS,**  
Alexandra Buildings,  
Hongkong, 13th August, 1908. 785

## TO LET.

**"GLENWOOD" CHINESE ROAD,** suitable for a Boarding house or Club. Containing 28 Rooms.

2, BEACONFIELD ARCADE, facing the Parade Ground.

C. M. S. PEAK BUNGALOW, Mount Kallet. Furnished. From 1st October, 1908 to 30th June 1909. Rent \$100 a month and taxes.

OFFICES in Bank Buildings, Top Floor. BEACONFIELD ARCADE, Fine Office and Dwelling Rooms.

Top Floor, (over Calbeck Macgregor). OFFICES in Queen's Road Central. BEILIOS TERRACE HOUSES.

ROBINSON ROAD.

No. 2, DUDDELL STREET Shop.

No. 2, DES VEGUX VILLAS (Peak).

Apply to—

**LINSTEAD & DAVIS,**  
3rd Floor, Alexandra Buildings,  
Hongkong, 10th August, 1908. 89

## TO LET.

**NOS. 15, 17, 19 and 21, SEYMOUR ROAD.**

Apply to—

**COMPTON'S DEPARTMENT,**  
Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

Hongkong, 31st July, 1908. 188

## TO LET.

**A HOUSE in Wang Nei Chong Road.**

**A HOUSE in RIFON TERRACE,** No. 10, DES VEGUX ROAD CENTRAL, 1st floor.

"HATHERLEIGH," Conduit Road.

OFFICES in YONG BUILDING.

GODOWNS in PRATA EAST, BLUM and Messrs. No. 16B, Des Vaux Road next to the HONGKONG HOTEL.

FLATS in ROBERTSON TERRACE.

Apply to—</



## INTIMATIONS

WANTED AT ONCE.

**FURNISHED, or PARTLY FURNISHED HOUSE** at the Peak for 6 weeks or 2 months.  
Apply—  
Care of "Daily Press" Office.  
Hongkong, 13th August, 1918. 1176

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

**THE** Underigned have received instructions from **THE HON. THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS**, to Sell by Public Auction, On **THURSDAY**, the 20th August, 1918, at 11 A.M., at The Government Store, Wanchai, A **LAARGE QUANTITY OF CONDEMNED STORES.**  
Terms—As Usual.  
**HUGHES & HOUGH,**  
Government Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, 15th August, 1918. 1183

**IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED** that a **MEETING OF HIS MAJESTY'S JUSTICES OF THE PEACE** will be held at the **MAGISTRACY**, at 2.15 P.M., on **MONDAY**, the 24th August, 1918, for the purpose of considering the following Application under the Liquor License Ordinance, 1895, (Ordinance No. 8 of 1895), viz.—

From one **HO FAN** for an Adjunct License to sell by retail intoxicating Liquors on premises numbered 463, 478, 480 and 472, Queen's Road West, under the sign of "THE PAN HING HOTEL."  
**J. H. KEMP,**  
Police Magistrate.  
Hongkong, 13th August, 1918. 1177

## FOR SALE

FOR SALE.

**LOT No. 52, British Concession, Property of the CANTON CONDIMENT HOUSE CO.** is hereby advertised for Sale until the 10th of September next. Tenders to be sent to the SECRETARY.  
**L. ALBERT.**  
Canton, 10th August, 1918. 1170

## FOR SALE.

**FINE SITE** on the Bowen Road, Ready for Building at a Cheap Price.  
**PERCY SMITH & SETH,**  
Accountants & Auditors, &c.,  
No. 5, Queen's Road Central.  
Hongkong, 16th May, 1918. 853

## STORAGE.

FOR COAL, TIMBER, &amp;c.

**TO BE LET**, a Portion of **MARINE LOT No. 285 at NORTH POINT**, Suitable for above Purpose. **EXTENSIVE WATER FRONT. DEEP WATER.**  
Also FOR SALE.  
Portions of **MARINE LOTS Nos. 31 & 32 on PRAYA EAST**. Approximate AREA 43,000 SQUARE FT. 999 YEARS' LEASE.  
For Particulars, apply—  
**GEO. FENWICK & CO., LTD.**  
Hongkong, 8th June, 1918. 1184

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

**THE** Underigned have received instructions from **W. K. M. D. PARR, Esq.** to Sell by Public Auction, On **THURSDAY**, the 25th August, 1918, at 2 P.M., within his residence, "Dunrobin," Magazine Gap, THE WHOLE OF HIS VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, THE KITCHEN CONTAINED, Consisting—

**SILK TAPESTRY COVERED DRAWING ROOM SUITE**, a Quantity of **CANTON CARVED BLACKWOOD CABINET TABLES, SOFAS, CHAIRS, CURIO STANDS, KOREAN LACQUERED CABINETS, DINNER WAGON, GLASS, CROCKERY and E.P. WARE, OLD CHINA, ENGRAVINGS, &c.**

One **COTTAGE PIANO** by M. F. Bachels & Co., Hamburg, (a good order and condition). Catalogues will be issued.  
Terms—As usual.  
**HUGHES & HOUGH,**  
Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, 17th August, 1918. 1188

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Prescribed in France for the last 30 years. It retains its reputation for Consumption, Asthma, Coughs, Colds, Diseases of the Chest, Lungs, and Bronchial Tubes.

## INTIMATIONS

**CHINA EXPRESS CO.,**  
3, DUNDRELL STREET.

**FOR SALE** a Quantity of **NETTING** for **TENNIS COURTS**, etc., at less than half cost.  
**GOREZ-ANSONITE FOOL PLANE CAMERA, PHOTO MATERIALS, DISHES and CHINAWARE.**  
Hongkong, 5th August, 1918. 1050

## REMOVAL NOTICE.

**WE** beg to inform our numerous Customers and the General Public that we have **REMOVED** our business premises to

**No. 14, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,**  
Corner of Zetland Street, where we hope the same patronage will be extended to us as in the past.

**HOOSAIN-ALI & Co.**  
Hongkong, 27th July, 1918. 651

## NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

**THE** Underigned beg to notify their Customers and the General Public that they have **REMOVED** to **No. 27, DES VOUEX ROAD CENTRAL**, opposite the P. & O. Co.'s Office.

A new variety of **ARTISTIC PICTORIAL POST CARDS, ASIATIC and FOREIGN POSTAGE STAMPS** and all **Philatelic Goods** are now exhibited at their **SHOW-ROOM**, and a **Great Assortment of MATCHES, COGNAC and CIGARETTES**, as well as **NOVELTY ALBUMS, &c.**, are for Sale at moderate prices.

**GRACE & CO.,**  
27, Des Voeux Road.  
Hongkong, 7th August, 1918. 1021

## COLLEGIO DE SANTA ROSA DE LIMA.

A **HIGH-CLASS BOARDING AND DAY SCHOOL** FOR **YOUNG LADIES**, **MACAO.**  
Under the patronage of His Lordship, the **BISHOP OF MACAO.**

**THE CLASSES** of the above Establishment will **RE-OPEN** on the **Ninth of SEPTEMBER** next.

The Teaching of Foreign Languages forms the principal feature of the College; all the Teachers being Europeans. Portuguese, English, French, and German are taught by skilled certificated teachers. There are four Portuguese lady teachers from Portugal, two English, two French, and one German, all possessing diplomas of Certified Teachers.

Besides Languages, the girls are taught in their own Languages, Geography, History, Arithmetic, Religion, Morality, and Civility. Music, Vocal, and Instrumental (Piano); Drawing, Linear and Ornamental; Painting, Oil; and Water-Colour; Needlework and Embroidery are taught by the same efficient staff of Ladies.

The Convent is situated at the East end of Praia Grande, overlooking the sea. The Class Rooms and Dormitory are very roomy, and airy. Excellent table. The Sanitary arrangements are perfect.

The health and deportment of the Children are the objects of special care. A monthly report of the progress and behaviour of the girls is sent to the parents.

For terms, and further particulars apply to **THE LADY SUPERIORESS.**  
Hongkong, 12th August, 1918. 1172

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**PILLS**  
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**MARTIN, Chemist, SOUTHAMPTON, ENGLAND.**

## NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

**NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN**  
**IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.**

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

**THE** Steamship

"**DERFFLINGER**,"  
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of **Opium, Treasure and Valuables**, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 19th August, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 19th August, at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 23rd August, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

**NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,**  
**MELCHERS & Co.,**  
General Agents.  
Hongkong, 12th August, 1918. 5

## FROM EUROPE.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

**THE H.A.L. Steamship**

"**AMBRIA**,"  
Captain Deinet, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned, and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before **TODAY**. Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed at Consignees' risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival, hereafter which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 23rd August will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 20th August, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

**HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,**  
Hongkong Office.  
Hongkong, 14th August, 1918. 1181

## TROUBLES IN THE MARINE

INSURANCE MARKET.

The Society which are rendered to the public by the Society of Lloyd's can hardly be overrated. As an organization for the collection of shipping news, and the right to Agents, for looking after the interests of ships and their crews and cargoes, it fulfils a national service; a service discharged at practically no cost to the public at large. Through the individual members of Lloyd's—individual members should always clearly be distinguished from the corporate society—it forms a community of brokers and underwriters which is of the highest possible benefit to the business community, not only of this country, but of practically every country in the world. But the distinction which has always been maintained between the corporate society and the insurance operations of individual members has considerable disadvantages, and some of these disadvantages are now becoming apparent. The Committee of Lloyd's, unlike the Committee of the Stock Exchange, has no official cognizance of the insurance operations of the members of the society. It exercises no control whatever over them. When once the Committee has elected members and received their deposits, the members are free to conduct their business in their own way. When, therefore, as unfortunately has happened within the past few weeks, the public is in touch with Lloyd's, hears stories of troubles among some of its members, the difference in powers between the Committee of Lloyd's and the Committee of the Stock Exchange should carefully be kept in mind. When trouble occurs on the Stock Exchange, the difficulties are liquidated in accordance with definite and well-understood rules; but when trouble occurs at Lloyd's, the members among members is to hush it up as much as they possibly can, and to providing privately for the liquidation of liabilities, if possible, in a manner which the public will hear nothing about. Of course the extreme jealousy with which members of Lloyd's guard the reputation of their colleagues is in itself a great merit, and is one of the reasons why the Room has gained such a high reputation. This brokers, rather than "return a name" as unable to pay, will make his good out of their own pockets; but it is obvious that if business is being conducted for any length of time on an unsound basis, and liabilities have to be liquidated on a considerable scale, the business method of bearing one another's burdens may become greater than even the strongest brokers are able to bear.

## GUARANTEES FOR THE PUBLIC.

At the present time if a man wishes to become an underwriting member of Lloyd's, he must be proposed and seconded by members, and satisfy the Committee that "his position and means justify his election." If elected, he has to lodge \$5,000 in approved securities, to be held as a deposit by trustees on behalf of the society, so long as the underwriter has any unpaid claims. These official deposits only apply to marine and transit risks, but as members of Lloyd's, to the great convenience of the public, transact a very large amount of fire, accident, burglary, motor-car, and all kinds of miscellaneous business, a custom has grown up by which unofficial guarantees for these businesses are provided in the Room itself, as a substitute for the official deposits which are required in the case of marine risks. Within its limits this system of official and unofficial deposits and guarantees is good, but it must be admitted that the business at Lloyd's has altogether outgrown the system of deposits, which may have been suitable when operations were conducted on a smaller scale many years ago. The bulk of the business at Lloyd's is now done by large syndicates of underwriters, and these syndicates of "names"—managed and controlled by a "leading underwriter"—do as much business as ever large marine insurance companies. The larger syndicates have a premium income of from half a million even up to a million pounds a year, and although the "names" do not receive accounts from their leading underwriter, yet no policy-holder has any knowledge at all of how this large premium income is used. It should be explained that in marine insurance business there are also very large amounts of liability for unexpired risks. A marine account is kept open for two years, and it takes a third year to wind it up. At any moment, therefore, an underwriter has liabilities for the accounts written in three years, and, in order that he may be solvent, he should have invested in liquid securities nearly a full year's premium income. It is indeed essential for the security of policy-holders that the funds to meet liabilities on unexpired risks should be treated as trust funds; but unfortunately the weak point of the present system is that nobody knows, except the leading underwriter, how its funds are invested. They may be used for speculative purposes on the Stock Exchange or in the produce markets. Cases, in fact, have been known where funds have been used in this way, and money has been lost. As compared with the large sums which should be readily available to meet liabilities of large syndicates for unexpired risks, it must be owned that the amount of the official deposits is insignificant.

## A SUGGESTED AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS.

What really is needed is not so much an increase in the amount of deposit, but a system of audit of underwriters' accounts. We do not suggest that there should be any publicity of accounts. Those who have had experience of Lloyd's have, very properly, the highest opinion of the integrity and wisdom of members, but it is impossible in these days when the accounts of all businesses and companies have to be audited that Lloyd's underwriters, subject they are to the competition and attractions of the powerful marine insurance companies, can afford to stand out. We believe that the public would be satisfied if the underwriting syndicates had properly audited balance-sheets prepared every year, and submitted them privately to the Committee of Lloyd's. The more fact that such a balance-sheet had to be submitted would automatically compel underwriters to make sure that all their liabilities for unexpired risks were provided for and their funds properly invested. If this were done, and there is little doubt that it will have to be done sooner or later, the position of Lloyd's would be greatly strengthened. It may be recalled that a few years ago a good scheme for a common guaranteed fund was put forward by an influential member. His idea was that a central fund should be formed into which underwriters and brokers would pay a small fixed percentage on their annual premiums. The fund would be held by the most respected and successful underwriters, and would form a joint or common guarantee fund. It was an essential part of the scheme that all accounts of underwriters should be audited and these accounts laid before the trustees of the fund. The scheme was good, and it would have been to the great advantage of Lloyd's had it been adopted.

## THE CREDIT OF LLOYD'S.

There is no doubt that the incidents of the last two or three weeks, and the gossip which they have occasioned, have done a great deal of harm to the general credit of Lloyd's, a great deal more than is in the least deserved. In the

## words of our Marine Insurance Correspondent

writing on Friday last—  
It has in the past been the proud boast of Lloyd's that its underwriting members never proved unable punctually to meet all engagements arising out of marine underwriting. Speculative business may have caused trouble, but not legitimate underwriting. It is to be feared that in the light of recent events the strength of individual underwriters can no longer be regarded as invulnerable.  
We believe that the credit of underwriting members would again become practically invulnerable, if they took the necessary step to secure a semi-private audit, such as the one we have suggested.

## THE LIGHTING OF CALCUTTA.

Residents of this city will doubtless read with interest the under of the Oriental Gas Company, Limited, for the public lighting of Calcutta as well as the Company's explanatory letter. In place of the whole of the present 9,285 gas lamps of 24 candle power, the Company propose to substitute and erect lamps with burners of a maximum of 90 and a minimum of 60 candle power, of a type similar to those erected in Park Street, Chowringhee Junction, Bow Bazar, Barden Street, Wellesley Street and College Street. The cost of this substitution is estimated at Rs. 55 per lamp, and if the contract be for 2 years the Company offer to bear the whole of this expense. If, however, the contract be for 15 years the Company propose that the cost be equally divided between them and the Corporation, while if the contract is to be for 10 years only, the cost of much conversion is to be borne by the Corporation. The prices per lamp per annum actually varies according to the length of the contract. For a 20 years contract the Company quote a rate of Rs. 54, for a 15 years contract Rs. 55 and for a 10 years contract Rs. 56. Practically the present tender of the Gas Company is the same as their previous tender with two exceptions. One exception is as to the number of lighting hours. The Corporation specification called for a rate for 3,914 lighting hours, whereas the Company have tendered for 3,850 hours, extra hours of lighting to be paid for at the rate of eight annas per hour per lamp per month, as under the existing contract. The other exception is that the original tender included a proposal to change the 2,400 existing oil lamps into gas lamps, the cost of the necessary mains and services to be borne by the Corporation. The cost of these mains, service pipes, etc., amount to Rs. 3,500,000 and the Company now offer to forego this charge as they think it will facilitate the introduction of gas lamps into the oil-lit districts. In their explanatory letter the Company state they have been entrusted with the lighting of the city from the 31st December 1858 up to now, and during the whole of that long period have never failed to carry out in full the terms of their contracts with the public authorities which they have had from time to time. Having already 350 miles of gas main laid in Calcutta the improved lighting can be introduced without breaking up the public roads and footpaths with the resulting annoyance to the public and stoppage of traffic. On these and various other grounds the Company ask that the public lighting of the city be entrusted to them as in the past fifty years.—*Calcutta Englishman.*

## TRANSIT TRADE OF SZEMAO.

H.M. Consul-General at Yunnan-fa (Mr. W. H. Wilkinson) has forwarded some particulars respecting the transit trade of Szemao, furnished by the late Mr. H. M. Mary, Acting Commissioner of Customs there.  
The greater part of the merchandise crossing the frontier and coming from the British Shan States passes through the late Mr. Mary, where import duties are levied. The bulk of such goods passes transit duty here and then proceeds into the interior under cover of our transit passes. These passes are fairly well respected throughout the Province by the various Lethin Authorities, the latter asking only for a small "commission" of a few cents in return for inspection of the pass; and this is generally not refused by the caravans. When foreign goods, however, are not provided with a transit pass, *lekin* is charged at the first barrier met on the road, and such payment secures free transit for merchandise throughout Yunnan for a subsequent period of 100 days. No *lekin* is levied on foreign goods at Szemao within the "free zone" of this mart, but the non-stations just outside require payment of *lekin* charges on such merchandise as is not provided with our transit passes. Goods coming from Burmah and the Shan States cross the frontier at some fifteen days' journey from Szemao, and if they take the mountain road via *hi-lung-chung*—i.e., the Mekong River can reach Szemao without passing any *lekin* barriers. But merchants, if they could place foreign goods from Burmah at Szemao at prices obtaining at Mengzi, would then be in a position to do a transit trade with a considerable section of that Province.

## THE SAN FRANCISCO "GRAFT" SCANDALS.

## A DYNAMITER'S CONFESSION.

A Greek named Claudias last month confessed that he exploded a charge of dynamite in the home of Mr. Gallagher, an ex-Supervisor of San Francisco, causing the partial destruction of his house. Claudias declares that he was promised \$5,000 (\$10,000), and that his brother was to receive a similar sum for an attempt on the life of Mr. Gallagher, but that the money was not paid. So far, he has refused to divulge the names of the persons who employed him. Mr. Gallagher is the principal witness against Rust, Schmitz, and the alleged bribe-givers, and it is asserted that there is evidence to connect the recent outrages at Mr. Gallagher's home with the "grafts."  
The latest move of the enemies of the "graft" prosecutions is an attempt to obtain the disbarment of Judge Dunne, of the Superior Court, before whom most of the Parliamentary proceedings against Rust and Schmitz were brought. While the San Francisco *Examiner* ignored Mr. Roosevelt's letter to Mr. Spreckels, it gives evidence to the complaint against Judge Dunne.  
Abraham Rust is now free, having been released from prison, but he does not display such effrontery as Schmitz. The ex-mayor appears to glory in having spent a term in goal, and recently gave a banquet to the employers and other originals who were with him in prison.

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## "THE AWAKENING OF CHINA."

This is the subject of an article in the current *Empire Review* by Mr. Alexander Chester Lambart. He remarks—  
The game in the East, played on the part of at least three of the Powers with definite intention to win, and by the remainder with an energy which depends largely upon the pressure of house interests, and is at its best fitful and ill-directed, presents several aspects worthy of consideration. With China as their playground, these Powers have for some years past indulged in an international tug-of-war in which the sides have hitherto been two to one, though not always the same two. When in the south-looking nations are really pushed aside, the Powers are raised to heaven deploring the villainy, the treachery, the unscrupulous behaviour of the offenders. For the feeling of China in the matter—the household whose gardens have been overrun by the warring parties—no one seems to care. Will she, formerly the province of nations, for ever continue to permit her domains to be turned into a political bar-garden? Is not the time now quickly passing to enter the arena, and decide once and for all her right to live in peace and contentment? Operations of China's must not be left to chance, and that is the lesson earnestly underlying all her endeavours.

The national spirit is at last aroused with its silent appeal for assistance and friendship. Those who stand by China now will have little cause to regret it in the future. Seeing that a Chinese never forgets his friends—nor seldom his enemies—we may well ask ourselves what part we are going to play in this new act of the East's drama. Commercially our interests lie in China. Already other nations are cutting us out and obtaining a foothold in the country and a word in the council of the Empire. China has frequently turned to Great Britain for advice or assistance, and as frequently, our attentions distracted in other directions or our interests imperilled nearer at home, she has obtained but little satisfaction or assistance. Now that other nations are eager to pose as her advisers and protectors in return for benefits in the shape of concessions and trade facilities, perhaps as for the moment we are not engaged in adding territory to our dominions for which we have neither men nor suitable population, we might do worse than try to regain some of our rights in the East, which was certainly not increased in Chinese eyes when we allied ourselves to her old enemy and quarrelsome Japan.

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The C.P.R. str. *Glentworth* arrived Kobe at 8 a.m. on Sunday, the 16th inst., and left again at 3 p.m. same day for Yokkaichi, where she was due to arrive at 8.30 a.m. yesterday.  
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AMARA, British str., 1,525, Matlock, 19th July Matheson & Co.
AMERICA, German str., 3,351, Dainat, 14th Aug.—Hamburg 27th Jan. and Singapore 8th Aug. General—Hamburg-America Linie.
APHRODITE, British str., 2,325, J. H. Smith, 31st July—Maroran 21st July, Coal—Dodwell & Co.
BARBA, British str., 2,404, Whyte, 24th July—New York 7th May, and Durban 28th June, Case Oil—Standard Oil Co.
BURJAN, Japanese str., 1,811, M. Nemoto, 16th Aug. Suez 15th Aug. General—Oaks Shosen Kaisha.
CHATHAM, British str., 2,314, A. J. Duff, 5th Aug.—Callao 24th June—China, 15th Aug.—Tientsin 9th, Chefoo 10th and Weihaiwei 11th, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
CROWTAL, German str., 1,015, W. Mullermann, 8th Aug.—Bangkok 31st July, Rice—Butterfield & Swire.
COURTIER, British str., 2,897, John Wiseman, 25th May—Moji 20th May, Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
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DERWENT, British str., 1,642, J. Jenkins, 9th Aug.—Saigon 5th Aug. Rice and General—China.
FOOCHOW, British str., 1,227, E. French, 11th Aug.—Shanghai 8th Aug. General—Butterfield & Swire.
FOOKSANG, British str., 1,937, G. A. Mitchell, 14th Aug.—Calcutta and Singapore 7th Aug. General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
FRETHER, Norwegian str., 891, O. Andersen, 8th Aug.—Saigon 4th Aug. Rice—Aagaard, Thorsen & Co.
HAIKONG, British str., 1,208, W. C. Passmore, 13th Aug.—Foochow Aug. 9th, Amoy 10th, Swatow 11th, General—Douglas, LaPraik & Co.
HAILAN, French str., 377, O. A. Hoeg, 15th Aug.—Hohow 14th Aug. General—A. E. Marry.
HAIYAN, British str., 1,183, J. S. Roach, 16th Aug.—Foochow Aug. 13th, Amoy 14th and Swatow 15th, Tea and General—Douglas, LaPraik & Co.
HALDRE, Norwegian str., 1,065, G. Solberg, 2nd Aug.—Saigon 29th July, General—Aagaard, Thorsen & Co.
HELEN, German str., 771, J. Jensen, 15th Aug.—Hohow 14th Aug. General—Jensen & Co.
HINSHANG, British str., 1,536, A. G. Smith, 15th Aug.—Hongay 13th Aug. Coal—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
INVERAN, British str., 2,353, Marshall, 30th July—New Castle 11th July, Coal—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
JASON, British str., 4,800, T. G. Steeves, 16th Aug.—Singapore 11th Aug. General—Butterfield & Swire.
KATHARINE PARK, British str., 3,075, W. H. Copp, 8th July—Callao via Yokohama and Kobe 12th May, General—Toyo Kisen Kaisha.
KIANGPING, Chinese str., 1,222, H. Uddin, 31st July—Wuhu and Chinkiang 23rd July, Rice—Chinese.
KWONGSANG, British str., 1,428, W. Palmer-Baker, 16th Aug.—Shanghai Aug. 11th and Swatow 15th, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
LAISANG, British str., 2,924, E. J. Tadd, 20th July—Calcutta July 5th, and Singapore 15th, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
MARAL, Norwegian str., 1,193, Gabrielsen, 31st July—Borneo 25th July, Coal—Walleim & Co.
MATHILDA, German str., 1,840, Diller, 12th Aug.—Moji 7th Aug. General—Jensen & Co.
MERAPI, Dutch str., 1,978, M. Grosche, 13th Aug.—Singapore 6th Aug. Sugar—Chinese.
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PHANANG, German str., 1,021, Fr. v. Mangoldt, 11th Aug.—Bangkok 4th Aug. Rice, Meal and Salt—Butterfield & Swire.
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SHANTUNG, German str., 1,000, C. Goswami, 10th Aug.—Bangkok 31st July, Rice and Meal—Norddeutscher Lloyd.
SHIHO, 15th Aug.—Tientsin 9th Aug. and Swatow 15th Aug. General—Oaks Shosen Kaisha.
SIAM, British str., 902, R. Birns, 11th Aug.—from Singapore, Kerosine Oil—Geo. Melbain & Co.
SIAM, Austrian str., 2,240, Ziffer, 8th Aug.—Moji 2nd Aug. Coal—Dodwell & Co.
SIMONIAN, Dutch str., 1,200, H. Voss, 14th Aug.—Singapore 3rd Aug. Sugar—Chinese.
SINGAN, British str., 1,047, F. Jamieson, 14th Aug.—Haiphong Aug. 11th, and Hohow 13th, General—Butterfield & Swire.
STREATHENDICK, British str., 2,543, J. R. Stewart, 7th Aug.—New York via Durban 28th May, Case Oil and General—Dodwell & Co.

TAMING, British str., 1,247, A. Sonerville, 14th Aug.—Manila 11th Aug. General—Butterfield & Swire.
TESSACHO, British str., 4,942, J. H. Goodwin, 29th July—Shanghai 26th July, General—Butterfield & Swire.
TENYO MARU, Japanese str., 7,265, Ernest Bent, 12th Aug.—San Francisco via Ports 11th July, Mails and General—Toyo Kisen Kaisha.
TRINIDAD, German str., 1,002, Koch, 12th Aug.—Bangkok 5th Aug. Rice—Butterfield & Swire.
YATSUNG, British str., 1,424, M. Courtney, 1st Aug.—Chinkiang 27th July, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
YCHOOW, British str., 1,205, Frown, 13th Aug.—Shanghai 11th Aug. General—Butterfield & Swire.
YUNNAN, French str., 4,213, Honors, 15th Aug.—Singapore 9th Aug.—Moesgeries Maylines.

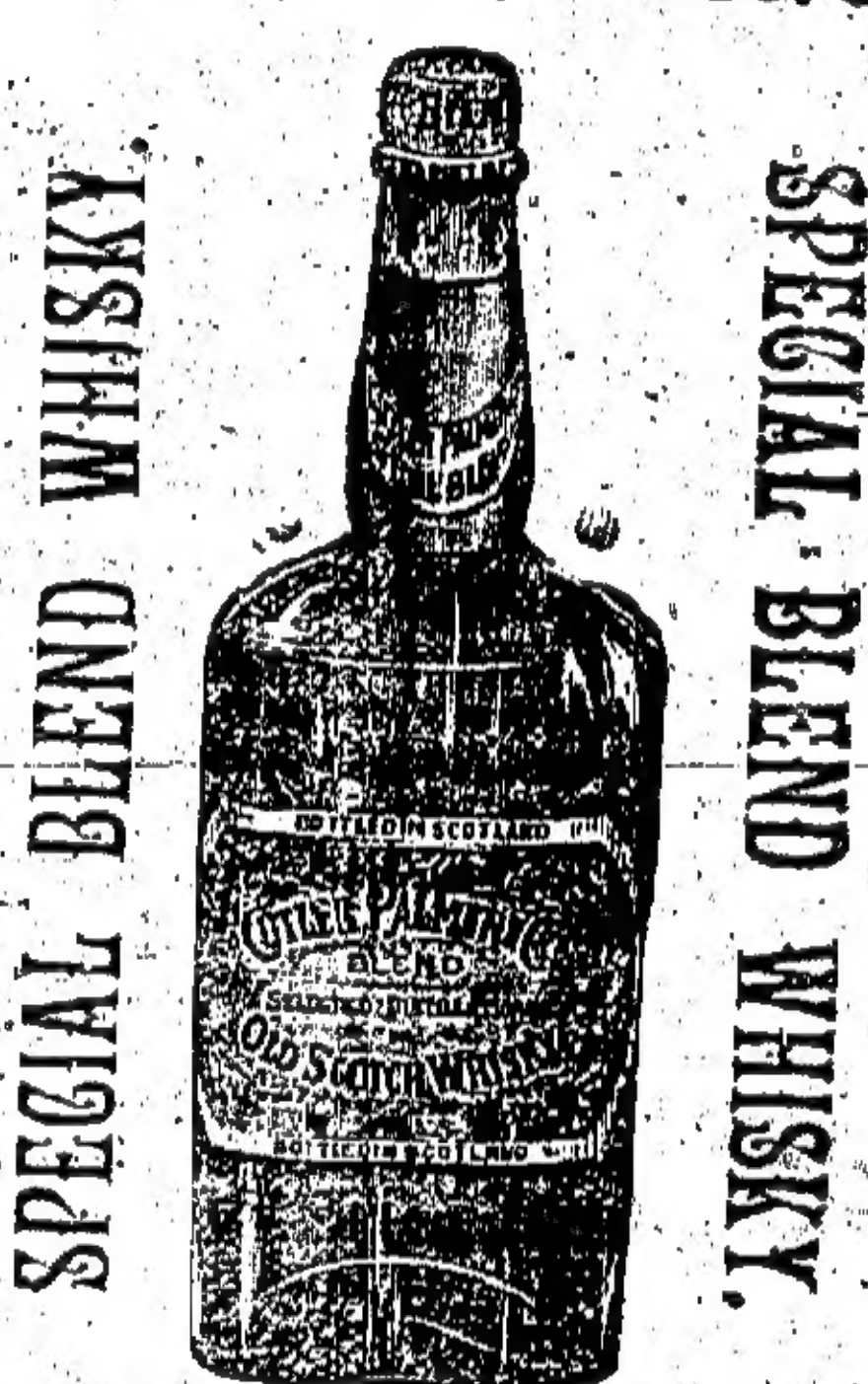
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